



Recycle that paper, or there will be no more trees No more leaves blowing with the breeze Watch for those bottles that say P.E.T. Fourteen bottles yields enough fiber for you to wear a Lee The cans made out of steel or tin You can just drop them in the recycling bin Because when you recycle them You're saving a lot of petroleum When you buy groceries at the store Use brown bags and do even more You will also save a lot of oil Also use compost so you won't waste soil If everyone pitched in and recycled Everyone would be better off if they did It's not hard to do

William Woods-Grade 5 Our Lady of Victories School, Sayreville

And it's something to help the Earth and you!

## **RECYCLING**

Recycling Is important for all of us to do. Recycling Keeps the environment pure and healthy for me and you. Recycling Renews products and doesn't put them to waste. Recycling Saves the Earth so that it can be our home to embrace. Recycling Helps preserve energy, trees, plastic and so on. Recycling Saves the Earth before it is all gone. Recycling

Signs on a bin mean that you put products made of aluminum, paper, and plastic in. Recycling Helps new items to be produced. Recycling Makes items from products you have used.

Recycling Makes material forever last. Recycling Needs you! And fast!

Jenna Chan-Grade 6 Good Shepherd Academy, Nutley

# A NEW SOLUTION

Our world is such a sacred place, Supporting life with passing grace

Piling landfills in every nation, Smoke and smog from incineration But after long and careful thought, A new solution we have sought

Recycling can now save our Earth Plastic, paper, glass, and cans

Their garbage to recycling The Earth would be so sparkling!

Florence M.Gaudineer Middle School, Springfield

# RECYCLE, RECYCLE

Recycle, recycle Whatever you do. Recycle your milk carton, Recycle your shoe!

You can even recycle Your old worn-out tricycle Or take tubs of plastic And work some magic To change them into A fuzzy fleece jacket.

If you have a glass bottle That you wanted to save Turn it into a surfboard And go catch a wave!

When you're feeling hot And you turn on the fan Believe it or not That fan was a can!

Don't waste Mother Earth; reuse her! Preserve resources; they're our future. Recycle at home Recycle at school And you will be

Maggie Sawin-Grade 4 Moorestown Upper Elementary School, Moorestown

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# **RECYCLING**

I stepped outside. "OH NO!" I said,

"What a mess! And it's widespread!

Bottles! Trash! It's piled high!

There is no sun! There is no sky!"

Plastic, papers, cans and glass

Brush and twigs and bags of grass Should be separate, should be tied.

"Can someone help?" I sighed and cried

Day cares, malls, and grammar schools

Can make it work. Now, ain't that cool?

Sky and sea and moon and sun

Clear and bright for everyone.

So, New Jersey lend a hand

Recycle now and take a stand. It's easy and it's fun to do

Recycle now. Goodbye. Thank you.

Matthew Tamborello-Grade 5

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"I RECYCLE"

I'M A CAN

Hello, I'm a reused and recycled can

I have a name – my name is Dan

I've been to so many interesting places

And I've seen so many thirsty faces

How is this possible you may say?

Well, it happens to cans every day

I am recycled; oh yes it's true

I go in used and come out new

I get mushed and squished all around

Then I'm ready and I feel so proud

A boy came in for an orange soda

He took me for the picture of Yoda

But wait, the bin he threw me in

is not full of silver

Ewww, there's used tissues

and reeking liver

Here I lie in a sad, sad lump

Rusting away in a smelly dump

So next time you grab a can off the shelf

Think of that can, not just yourself

Meanwhile, I'll sit here

with some orange soda,

Wrapped in this cute little

picture of Yoda

Jill Carman-Grade 6

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TAKE A STAND

Milk cartons,

Aluminum cans

We know how to recycle

Why can't we take a stand?

Go the extra mile

It's not that hard.

Have a bin to recycle

Or a compost pile in the yard.

It's all for the best

For you and for me.

It could save an animal

It could save a tree.

If the difference is big If the difference is small

If the difference is barely

A difference at all You still should recycle!

It's all for the best

The earth is our host And we are its guests.

But our darkest hour has come to call As pollution makes the earth seem small

And make it pretty as it was at birth Are made into new toys and pans

If everyone would start to bring

Aliza Stone-Grade 6

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IT'S EASY TO DO.....RECYCLING IS GOOD! **R**ecycling is for the people's benefit, **E**ven those who throw a fit. Crying won't do the world any good...but... Your recycling really could. Cans, and jars, and plastic jugs, Love to make good energy just like hugs.

In a special container you can throw, Newspapers, magazines, but no, not snow. Give to others what you no longer need, It's called reusing and it helps, indeed. **S**ave your pennies and reduce what you spend,

Goodness gracious, you'll be happier in the end! Organize your waste into paper and plastic, Only you can reuse – it will make you feel fantastic. **D**o the world a favor, watch your own behavior!

> Gerhard Patterson-Grade 4 Indian Mills School, Shamong

Recycle, recycle every day! It's important to do, there is more than one way.

**RECYCLE** 

Recycle tires for a playground. Save trees for the birds that make a wonderful sound.

> Save energy with cans remade. Plastic lumber decks will not fade. Spread the word so all can hear. An unhealthy planet is my biggest fear. Recycling is easy to do, It is good for our planet, can you help too?

Alex Patrick-Grade 4 St. Catherine School, Spring Lake

# REPROCESS, REUSE...RECYCLE!

Cans, bottles, paper, glass... Separate, collate, divide, organize... Responsible, conscientious, caring, planning... Bins, baskets, pails, containers... Trucks, men, loading, hauling... Reuse, reconfigure, reshape... Reward, benefit, future bright!

> Michael Mc Ginn-Grade 5 Public School #14, Bayonne

# **DECEMBER**

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# THE LOST CITY OF ATLANTIS

The Lost City of Atlantis... You know it? Gee wiz! "A tide flooded them," said the philosopher Plato. Hey! I know the truth though! The one made by me. The one and only, great theory:

The people of Atlantis, they were smart and all, And it seemed like their continent would never fall. But recycle? Nope, they never did. Just put in the garbage and closed the lid. Sooner or later, trees and plants were all used, Gases and fuels were all fused. Then garbage filled the land, Which sooner only became sand.

> So be smart, And have a heart And recycle with fuss, Because Atlantis can always strike us.

> > Sharon Kim-Grade 4 Fort Lee School #4, Fort Lee

I am recycling every day I don't throw everything away I put things in my recycling bin I recycle paper and plastic It's a win win

Smashed and crushed into something new, It's the very best thing that we can do And what is more It's a very simple chore

Reduce, reuse, recycle to save the earth Do the best you can and see the worth Of your bottles and your cans, Give Earth a helping hand.

My recycling bin is full as I speak, The recycling truck will come at the end of the week

So prepare yourself to do your best, Save the earth before you rest.

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